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THE RENEWED ARMISTICE.

ENTENTE AND GERMAN DELEGATES MEET.

Paris, March 16.
Representatives of the Entente and Germany held a meeting at the Hotel Astoria in Brussels, not saluting one another on entering the room, and without polite formalities.
Admiral Wemyss read the report, asking if the Germans accepted the terms for renewing the Armistice.
The leader of the German Delegation replied "Yes."
The agreement was then signed.—Havas.

THE PARIS CONFERENCES.

Paris, March 16.
Contrary to expectation, President Wilson did not attend the meeting of the Council of Ten yesterday.
The Supreme War Council had a very bulky volume before it, containing the detailed schedule of the military, naval and aerial terms to be imposed on Germany.
President Wilson has issued a statement that the decision taken at the plenary session of the Peace Conference on January 23, that the foundation of the League of Nations should form an integral part of the Peace Treaty, is final; therefore there are no grounds for reports that a modification of this decision is considered.—Havas.

THE KIEL CANAL.

A NEW PROPOSAL.

Paris, March 16.
French papers mention a scheme fixing the future status of the Kiel Canal which has received a certain amount of support among the Peace delegates, namely, exploitation of the canal by an international Limited Liability Company, the value of the canal and the narrow strip of territory on either bank to be deducted from the general sum to be recovered from Germany.—Havas.

THE COTTON SITUATION.

SPECIAL MISSION TO FAR EAST.

London, March 5 (delayed).
In the House of Commons, Mr. Suggden drew attention to the serious nature, in the markets abroad, of the cotton-spinning and weaving trade since the Armistice. He asked about the possibilities of opening new markets and the solution of exchange values.
Mr. Steel Maitland replied that it was the duty of Commercial Attaches and Trade Commissioners to report upon the possibilities of new extended markets for British goods. The Far Eastern situation was full of anxiety and the despatch of a special mission of investigation was being considered. No report could suggest any general solution of exchange values, as the problems differed in various localities. He was not aware of any prospect of shortage in American cotton for the Lancashire mills, while the Government had already taken the necessary steps to secure Egyptian supplies.

BRAZILIAN DOCK FIRE.

HUGE LOSS SUFFERED.

London, March 6 (delayed).
A message from Santos says a very serious fire at the docks destroyed 29,000 bales of jute and 90,000 bags of State Government coffee. The loss is estimated at a million and a half sterling.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN'S LEASE OF TSINGTAU.

Washington, March 19.
The Associated Press correspondent at Paris reports that it is said that the Peace Conference has virtually decided to include in the Preliminary Treaty of Peace requirements that Germany relinquish her leasehold of Tsingtau and of all her property concessions in Shantung province.—American Wireless.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

New York, March 19.
The Secretary to President Wilson announces that he is in receipt of a cablegram from President Wilson stating that the Plenary Council has positively decided that the League of Nations will be part of the Peace Treaty.—American Wireless.

LOANS TO SIBERIA.

Washington, March 19.
The United States Treasury Department advanced a new credit amounting to \$15,000,000 to be expended by Siberia, making the total loans by the United States to Siberia \$27,000,000, and the total United States loans to the Allies \$8,674,657,000.—American Wireless.

U. S. REVENUE.

Washington, March 19.
President Wilson, in signing the Revenue Bill, has put into operation the machinery for collecting six billion dollars by taxation this year.

The new measure carried a rider making the District of Columbia "bone dry," with no liquors permitted except in the foreign Embassies and Legations, which will not be affected by the measure.—American Wireless.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

PRESIDENT WILSON IN PARIS.

Paris, March 19.
President Wilson arrived here shortly after noon on Friday.—American Wireless.

COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, March 19.
The cotton quotations are as follow:—
March 16.81d
May 13.46d
Spot 17.47d
—American Wireless.

CHINESE COMMERCIAL ORGANISATION.

Chicago, March 19.
On Tuesday, the first exclusively Chinese commercial organisation in the United States was formed in the shape of a new Chinese Steamship Line, to which the Chinese merchants of San Francisco have subscribed \$3,000,000.

The dedication of the Chinese Industrial Commercial Association building in the Chinese quarter in Chicago took place on Tuesday.
Chi Lin-tsun, Chinese Consul-General at New York, and a number of Chinese of New York were welcomed by the Chicago business-men at a banquet.

The Consul-General said the Association had been planned to promote friendly relations and to encourage commerce between the Republic of the United States of America and China. A cordial spirit of co-operation was shown between the American merchants and the Chinese.—American Wireless.

RACE PREJUDICE.

New York, March 19.
Viscount Ishii, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, speaking before the Japan Society, last evening, urged action by the Peace Conference to eliminate race prejudice.—American Wireless.

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(By Courtesy of the "South China Morning Post")

STRAITS "OUR DAY" FUND.

Singapore, March 20.
Penang's "Our Day" Fund has reached \$225,000.
The total Straits collection will reach over £100,000.

RELIEF SHIP REACHES SINGAPORE.

Singapore, March 20.
The s.s. Mariana (sent as a relief ship to take the Nore and Novara passengers) has arrived and been inspected by the Colonial Secretary. The vessel is mainly divided into wards, but is very comfortable.

DAY BY DAY.

A Chinese thief who had a preference for sugar candy was today sent to gaol for 14 days. He was a workman in the Taikoo Sugar Refinery, and was arrested by a watchman who found the stuff concealed under his armpit.

A Chinese boy who snatched a gold-mounted rattan bangle was today brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, who passed the heavy sentence of nine months' hard labour, 10 strokes with the birch and four hours' stocks, in view of his bad record. The boy, it seems, is a hardened criminal. He had been sent to prison on two previous occasions for similar crimes.

A Singapore Chinese who is said to have stolen a quantity of gold spectacle rims and other articles from the Commercial Press at Singapore, is at present in the custody of the Hongkong Police. The extradition proceedings which were to have been instituted at the Magistrate's for his surrender to the Singapore authorities have been delayed owing to the fact that several important witnesses have not arrived from Singapore. It is expected that the proceedings will be commenced on Friday next, when M. Leo Longinotto will appear for the Crown and Mr. Agassiz for the fugitive.

Arising out of a recent case in which the owner of No. 170 Wellington Street, was ordered by the Government to pull down the superstructure of his building which was considered to be dangerous, a summons was taken out by the P.W.D. against him, for disobeying the order.

The defendant informed Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning that the work of demolition was in the hands of his architect, Mr. Rosser, who was unable to take on the work then, due to pressure of other work elsewhere. The time given for the demolition was six weeks, but at the expiry of that period, nothing had been done. Mr. Rosser today told Mr. Lindsell that the defendant did not give him definite instructions to prepare a plan for the work until after five weeks had elapsed. As far as he was concerned, he had done his best to push the matter forward. He had repeatedly written to defendant warning him to comply with the order. Mr. Rosser complained of the reports in the Press which stated, in effect, that the fault was his. The Magistrate observed that that was the defence the defendant put up, and the Press was therefore not to blame for reporting it. He imposed a fine of \$50 on the defendant.

PHOTOGRAPH OF THE NEW GOVERNOR.

GET SATURDAY'S PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT.

To read about a man in no doubt very interesting, but to see a picture of him is far more so. We know that ever since the fact became known that Hongkong was to have a new Governor, people have been wondering what he is like in appearance.

When the official announcement of Mr. Stubbs' appointment was made, the *Telegraph*, realising how deeply the public were interested in the news, despatched a cable to its agents in Colombo, requesting them to send a photograph by the next steamer to Hongkong.

Readers of the *Telegraph* will now learn with pleasure that our agents were successful in getting a portrait aboard an outgoing steamer within an hour of the receipt of the cable. We have made a half-tone block of the photograph, and the portrait will appear in Saturday's Pictorial Supplement.

As there will doubtless be a considerable demand for copies of the issue containing this photograph, readers would do well to order same in advance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE WAR MEMORIAL.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Sir,—If one class of men more than another deserve credit for winning this great war it is the men of our Air Department.

If we all doff our hats to them and then scratch our heads, the fact at once presents itself that the War Memorial should be an Aerodrome and an Air Service of our own to Shanghai, Manila and Singapore. The profits from this would keep multiplying our available funds so that there would soon be enough to build the Victory cantilever and Foch-Haig suspension bridges.

Some want a theatre to laugh in, some a hospital to be sick in, some a City Hall to deliberate in, some a Baptist chapel to pray in and so on; but when multi-millionaires such as Mr. Andrew Carnegie, Rockefeller, Wills, etc., come sailing in on our airships as passengers, all these will be packets of sweets, thrown down at us gratis. These millionaires on viewing our Colony from up aloft will see at a glance the necessity for the bridges, and when landed safely at our Aerodrome ask for sealed tenders for their erection.

A small compound on the site selected for the Aerodrome could be immediately fenced off as a captive balloon station similar to the one on Market Street, San Francisco, where a balloon ascends and descends each 15 minutes with passengers at a time (ten cents) a head. (China's millions would revel in this).

Mothers could take their youngsters a trip up aloft to see what a fine place it looks like from up there, and most of the youths would probably aspire to become air-pilots, who, like chauffeurs, are wanted more and more as time proceeds.

On the evening of Celebration Day a display of pictorial fireworks illustrative of the war should be devised.

If we don't get this Air Service started soon, we shall have the airships sailing in from Home and foreign shores, so let us get busy and be

RIGHT UP TO DATE
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HONGKONG TRAFFIC CONTROL.

MOTOR-CAR ACCIDENTS.

SCOPE FOR IMPROVEMENT.

With about 250 motor-cars in the Colony and about 150 motor cycles, it is surprising that there should be such few motor accidents, considering that certain classes of Chinese are the most stupid people on the streets. They pace the thoroughfares in a blissful manner, paying no heed to what is before or at the back of them. The rule of the road is a thing they do not know or have never been ever educated to observe. They hob-noble all over the streets, swerving recklessly wherever they want. There is no bridle over this desire, and the chauffeur's task is unenviable, for he does not know which way the Chinese pedestrian in front of him may turn. The pedestrian may appear to be going in a certain direction; but suddenly, without any warning, he will change his course and possibly be run over. The fact that we have so few accidents supports the belief that the drivers of our motor-cars are, generally speaking, competent. The motor accidents average about four a month, and this, with 400 motor-cars and cycles in the Colony, is not considered excessive, in view of the local conditions. There is no real amount of recklessness amongst the drivers. If there were, then there would be more accidents than there are.

Superintendent Lane, of the Fire Brigade Station, tests all motor-car drivers and motor cyclists, and is considered perfectly competent to examine them and issue licences.

It is common knowledge that a speedlimit for motor-cars is in force in the Colony. It is at present fixed at 12 miles per hour. To say that there is no check on our motor-cars as far as speed limit is concerned is untrue, but, even so, there is talk of increasing it to 15 miles, and the new traffic regulations which will shortly be published may provide for a speed-limit of 15 miles. Sir Henry May said sometime ago that 15 miles would be a better limit than 12. This is a matter for discussion. The traffic regulations, which are at present being revised, cover motor-cars, motor cycles, etc.

The present regulations lay down that a motor-car must have a headlight. You can have it as blinding and glaring as possible. Apparently there is no speed limit for motor-cars in the New Territories. The speed limit has been in force in the Colony for several years and it is therefore, absurd, to state that none exist.

As regards control of traffic, the Police have provided a European sergeant with a motor-cycle to supervise control traffic.

On the new traffic regulations and other cognate subjects we secured an expression of opinion this morning from Mr. P. P. J. Woodhouse, the Deputy Superintendent of Police.

"Are there any regulations about blinding headlights?" enquired the interviewer.

"The drivers," said Mr. Woodhouse, "are supposed to dim their lights when passing cars. There is no regulation at present about blinding headlights."

"How are speed limits checked?"

"There are various ways of checking speed. You can have a measured distance or you can say the man travelled to a certain distance by such a time. We do not have many cases of exceeding the speed limit. We have difficulty in satisfying the Magistrate. Half the trouble is at the Magistrate's."

"How do you think they can be remedied?"

"I do not know how they are going to fix this checking of speed limits. It is very difficult to say the speed at which a car has been travelling. There are various ways of doing it—stop watches, for instance. It would

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand today was 3s. 1.11-16d.

The Weather.

Forecast:—fair. Barometer:—30.02. Temperature 2 p.m.:—74. Humidity 2 p.m.:—64.

be easier to prove reckless driving against a chauffeur or a driver than to prove that he exceeded the speed limit."

"But isn't that one and the same thing?" asked the writer. "If you allege that a man has been driving recklessly you assume that he has been driving heedlessly, without any regard to speed."

"It is, in a way, when you think of it. All we can say is that the Police are endeavouring to find a way to check the speed, to satisfy the Magistrate. To produce evidence to satisfy the Magistrate has been the great difficulty in the past. In the future we hope to find some means of doing it."

"How do you deal with pedestrian traffic in the streets?" asked the interviewer.

"One of our troubles is that most of the footpaths are very narrow. In the central part of the town, especially in the European part of Queen's Road, that is, from the City Hall to the Hongkong Hotel, there is plenty of room, but in the Chinese part of Queen's Road there is no room on the pavements for more than two abreast. Naturally the rules are not observed. The same remark applies to the European part of the Queen's Road. An ordinary Chinaman says that there is a road, and uses it, and does not mind anyone else. In England we have got a traffic sense. We have for generations been accustomed to looking where we were going. The Chinese have not been educated on the rule of the road. The Chinese are not accustomed to fast traffic. There is no fast traffic in China, if we except the Treaty Ports. The result is that the Chinese do not realise the necessity of taking care of themselves in streets. Supposing you had a European population in Hongkong of the same size as the Chinese, you would probably not have any accidents in the streets. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred in street accidents it is sheer stupidity on the part of the Chinese pedestrian. We need a large body of constables to regulate pedestrian traffic efficiently. There must be a chain of constables on traffic duty to see that the rule of the road is carried out throughout."

"What action have the Police taken as regards the insulting way chair coolies solicit fares?" asked our representative.

"I have had dozens of cases where ricksha coolies have been prosecuted for calling out. The Police are supposed to see to this."

"The evil does not seem to have abated," remarked the interviewer.

"The Chinese and Indian constables on duty are instructed to summon chair coolies who shout out to people. If they are not doing this, then they are not discharging their duties."

"One cannot go down Pedder Street or pass the Hongkong Hotel without being molested by the chair coolies."

"In that case all that you have to do is to take the number and give it to the Police."

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TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—9.15 p.m.

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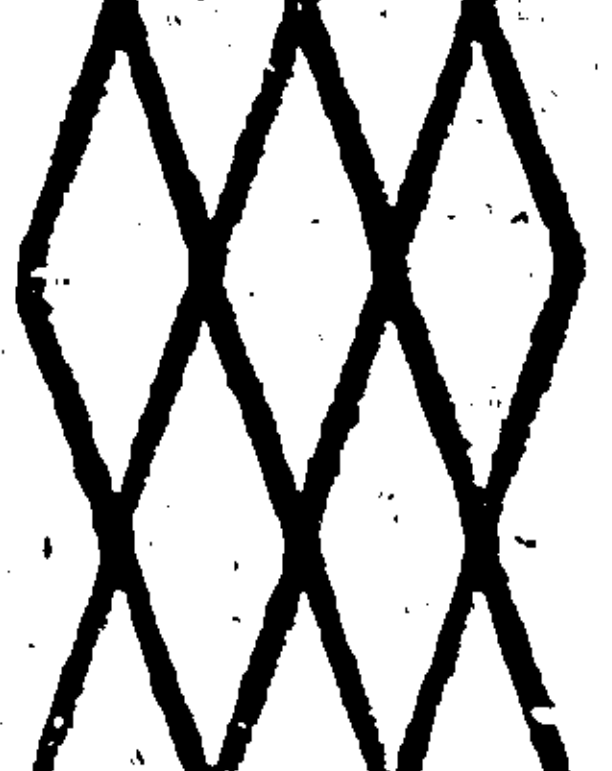
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OUR MANILA LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Manila, March 7.

Manila shipping circles have been stirred up during the past week as the result of a cablegram sent to Washington by the Insular Government at the request of the Secretary of Commerce and Communications, requesting the War Department to ascertain from the Shipping Board conditions under which part of the surplus tonnage of the Board released as a result of the cessation of hostilities might be secured for the Philippines, particularly such ships as might serve for the inter-island and China Coast trade. The cable was sent with no consultation, as far as can be learned, with local shipping men who at once entered a protest and filed resolutions to prove that the shipping situation at present as regards the Philippines demands a reduction of tonnage rather than an increase. Mr. J. M. Poizat, head of a company operating several steamers inter-island trade, and Mr. R. C. Morton, of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, formed a committee of the Philippine Shipowners' Association and waited on Governor Yeater to state the case of the shipping men. It was declared that if the Shipping Board should now place a number of its surplus wooden ships in commission here in conformance with the Government's request, the resident shipping establishments would find themselves operating their ships at a loss. The only other alternative would be to allow the ships to remain idle in Manila Bay until shipping conditions improve. There are now 11 vessels of the U.S. Shipping Board running out of Manila, three of which are wooden ships. One more is on the way and will be operated by the Pacific Mail Company, agents for the shipping Board. Shipping men fear that these wooden ships, many of which were built of green lumber, would not stand up well under the conditions of a tropical climate and that the hazard would be increased, causing a boost in insurance rates. The shipping men called attention to the fact

that the island shipping is especially dull at present and that many of the steamers on inter-island runs have been making voyages with half cargoes or less. In view of the representations of the shipping firms, Governor Yeater is considering a withdrawal of the Government's request.

With the resignation of Mr. Claud Russell, Director of the Bureau of Public Works, to become manager of the National Coal Company, the position of Chief of Public Works will be filled by a Filipino, Jose Paz, of the Designing Division of the Bureau, being mentioned for the place. This means the Filipinization of one of the most important Bureaux of the Government which up to this time has always been completely under the direction of Americans.

The Legislature at its special session approved the creation of the Philippine Independence Commission and gave it full authority to proceed with the work of negotiating independence for the islands. It will continue in existence until its purposes are accomplished. It will have power to instruct the Special Mission of Filipinos now on the way to Washington and to create and instruct such other missions as may be deemed necessary. The feeling prevails that the independence issue will be brought to some definite conclusion during the present year. While the members of the Mission will not get to Washington in time to meet President Wilson, Mr. Quezon, President of the Mission, has been in the United States for two months and will have had an opportunity to confer with the President on the Philippines question.

Hemp exporters in Manila have received instructions from their main offices in the United States to refrain from buying hemp for the present. This is expected to portend some sort of change in the hemp market which has been stagnant for several months as the result of the operations of an alleged hemp ring which has sought to control the New York market.

A strike of street car motormen and conductors which has been

threatened for the Manila car lines for a week, will probably not occur. Some 100 employees quit on Sunday morning and most of them lost their positions, which were filled by former employees and student motormen. The question of wage demands which the operatives voted to present at a referendum, is still being studied by the street car company. The men ask an increase of 4 centavos an hour.

OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, March 8.

The deadlock at Shanghai continues, but there are good reasons for hoping that the Conference will resume before very long. The President is doing all that he possibly can to meet the demands of the Southern delegates. He has issued another mandate threatening the Northern commanders with the penalties of their disobedience if they do not carry out the armistice mandate. The bona fides of the President is beyond reproach. The difficulty is in knowing to what extent the militarists are working against him by supporting Tsuchun Chen Shu-fan in his attacks against the southern troops in that province. Hsu Shih-chang has urged the southern delegates to re-open the Conference, but so far no response is forthcoming.

Official information is to the effect that the seventeen million yen, the unpaid balance of the War Participation Loan, has been paid into the Bank of China, the agent of which in Peking is the Exchange Bank of China and that it has not yet been drawn. Mr. Obata called upon the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs on Thursday and explained that as the money had been placed to the credit of the War Participation Bureau the Japanese Government had no further control over this money. According to his own version of the interview, he advised the Chinese Government not to touch the money lest it be thought that the Japanese Government is supporting the Chinese militarists. This version is different to that supplied by the Chinese, who say that Mr. Obata indicated that the money was lying at the bank and it was for them to decide what they would do. However, next afternoon the British, American, French and Italian Ministers called upon Mr. Chen Lu with the object of supporting the advice given by Mr. Obata in the matter of refraining from drawing upon the seventeen million. Perhaps no more striking commentary on the changed policy towards China can be made than merely to draw attention to the disintegration of the Big Five in this respect. Japan is not distinctly associated with America, Britain, France and Italy in the latest advice which it has been deemed necessary to tender to the Chinese Government.

Much discussion continues on the subject of the unification and internationalisation of China's railways. There are two or three different schemes; and until these be amalgamated the discussions are bound to somewhat diffuse. Of course the opposition of the Chiao Tung party to any such scheme is largely based upon the prospective loss of perquisites at present enjoyed. Indeed, one cannot resist the conclusion that the opposition is inspired by regard for selfish interests rather than the good of the country.

As the Waichiaopu is moving into the new premises, there is movement on foot to establish an international club with the old Waichiaopu as quarters. It is suggested that the Tokyo Club be taken as a model. Such institution is long overdue. At present there is no meeting place for foreigners and Chinese.

The International Press Club is formally to come into being on Monday when members will assemble in the new premises fitted up in Erh Tiao Hutung. The American Minister and the American banking magnate, Mr. Abbott, will both be present on this interesting occasion.

One of the most interesting announcements of the week was the appointment of Mr. R. F. Johnston, a former district magistrate at Weihaiwei and a distinguished sinologist, as English tutor to the youthful Emperor, whose limited outlook on life should now be considerably widened.

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ABOLITION OF CONSCRIPTION.

Will conscription be abolished throughout Europe? That is the question that must be answered during the next few months by all the nations concerned. Germany and her late Allies will have no choice in the matter for their fate has already been decided, but the subject of conscription has also to be decided by the Entente, by America, and by all the neutrals. We take it that the main object of the Peace Conference is to safeguard the future peace of the world, and nothing could be more essential for this end than the abolition of conscription. If we look back a little time, we shall find that this was more or less the direct result of a nation building up a huge conscripted army, which ultimately thought itself in a position to defy the whole world. The principle of maintaining big armies is in itself fundamentally wrong, a fact that has been proved beyond doubt by the war which we have just gone through. No doubt the nations of the world must maintain armies in order to defend themselves from foreign attack, but it was not for this purpose that Germany systematically built up vast conscripted forces. The German Army was not for defensive, but for offensive purposes, and the other big European nations had of necessity to follow her lead, with the result that all the Great Powers, with the exception of Great Britain had to build up huge armies in order to keep pace with Germany. There could only be one result from such a state of affairs—the greatest war in the history of the world, a war which has brought death to millions, and which has left Europe shattered and ruined. We have, indeed, emerged victorious, but at a terrible cost. All this death and utter misery can be placed at the door of conscription, and therefore all the other great issues at stake must give way to the question of how to destroy for ever this menace to the peace of the world. As far as Germany is concerned, we have done away with this danger. The Supreme Council has decided that Germany, be permitted to retain an Army of only 100,000, recruited voluntarily, and it has also taken steps to ensure that this Army can never in the future assume larger proportions. The destruction of conscription in Germany means the destruction of militarism, and consequently, as far as she is concerned, the impossibility of making war in the future.

And now the question arises whether this destruction of the German Army will necessarily mean that peace in Europe is safe, and the answer is of course in the negative. As long as conscription remain, peace is in danger, and the other nations, including Germany, must in a measure do to themselves what has been done to Germany. Fortunately those nations who are in the best position to bring about this happy state of affairs are in agreement on the subject. The Allies have decided that conscription must go, and we can congratulate ourselves on the fact that Great Britain has played a great part in bringing about such a decision, for the abolition of conscription in the German Army, which is undoubtedly the first direct step towards the destruction of conscription in Europe, is support of the whole Empire. We can confidently look forward to the final disappearance of this great menace to peace.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

CHILD LABOUR.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, Mr. Bowley put quite a direct and unambiguous question when he asked whether the Medical Officer of Health considered it desirable, in the interests of the public health of the Colony, that the ages, hours and conditions of the employment of women and children in factories, etc., should be regulated and controlled. It cannot be said, however, that he received an equally plain answer. It was admitted, in the official reply, that there is at present nothing equivalent in Hongkong to the Home Factory Act, and it was added that without full enquiry into all sides of the question, only the broadest lines could be laid down as desirable for a beginning. These "broadest lines" were indicated as the conditions which should be regarded as constituting overcrowding in factories and workshops, the ages at which children should be admitted into factories, and the regulation of working hours for children in factories. We all know that, but what we also want to know is whether the Government has any intention of legislating on the subject.

WANTED: A DEFINITE REPLY.

The Medical Officer of Health speaks of what could be done as a beginning, without full enquiry being first made. But Mr. Bowley's question was whether this official considered action to be necessary. That point was not answered at all. It looks, on the face of it, as though this were another instance of the official way of side-tracking important questions. We cannot see that any very full enquiry is needed about this matter. It must be fully known to the Government that women and children are employed in Hongkong factories under conditions which would never for a moment be tolerated at home. Then surely the outstanding issue could easily be removed without delay by passing legislation which would deal at least with elementary points. Mr. Bowley can scarcely be satisfied with the reply he got. For a next effort he might definitely ask whether the Government is or is not prepared to initiate legislation on the subject.

TROUBLED CHINA.

Whilst China is making every endeavour to persuade the Allied deliberators in Paris that she is entitled to a larger measure of freedom and independence, she is still unable to preserve peace within her own borders. We have every sympathy with those of the smaller nations who are seeking to use the present opportunity to secure a better place for themselves in world affairs, but it cannot be too often emphasised that such a result is only to be attained by nations which show that they are fit for advancement. A country which is in a continual state of strife should first set its own house in order before expecting elevation at the hands of others. The Shanghai Chinese commercial bodies realise that the great need of the country is peace, and they have been urging that an end be put to the present situation by both sides waiving technicalities. In seems, however, that the Conference has broken down not only because of the happenings in Shensi, but because there is no real spirit of compromise abroad. The Chinese, North and South alike, ought to realise that this is not the time for the seeking of temporary gains by one party over the other. Common-sense is needed, and a larger and broader outlook on affairs in general. The same elements, not the extremists, should get together and end this foolish wrangling. If that is not soon done, the last state of the country will be infinitely worse than the first.

FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

The following players have been chosen to represent the Hongkong Football Club in their game with South China Athletic on Saturday, the 22nd instant, at 4.15 p.m. on the Club Ground:—G. Rodger; T. R. Chassels and D. Reichelmann; B. Pasco; J. Stewart and J. D. Carriere; W. Taylor, W. Hamilton, H. McTeish, E. Riis, C. Jennings.

DAY-BY-DAY.

IT IS BETTER TO KEEP IN THE OLD RUT THAN TO CLIMB OUT ONLY TO FALL INTO THE DITCH BY THE WAYSIDE.

There was one fatal case of cerebro-spinal meningitis notified yesterday.

Police Reserve orders state that P.C. 72 Chow Pak Tim is allowed to resign on leaving the Colony.

The programme for the first Gymkhana Meeting of the season, on April 5, is issued. Entries close on March 28.

A Chinese thief visited a cemetery at the Happy Valley and decamped with a bouquet of flowers which was placed over one of the graves. Probably he had the idea of selling them, but this did not come off. He was to-day fined.

It was announced in error yesterday that the curtain on "Pinky & the Fairies" was to rise at 9 p.m. to-morrow. The public is requested to note that the evening performances will commence at 9.15 and the matinees at 4.30 p.m.

A Chinese was to-day remanded by Mr. G. N. Orme on a charge of managing, and being a member of, an unlawful society. He pleaded guilty to the first charge. Several documents relative to the alleged society were seized at 63, Canton Road and are now at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs for investigation.

Messrs. Reiss and Co. write as follows:—"A paragraph appears in your issue of yesterday to the effect that the Texas Oil Company of New York intends to establish its own offices and erect storage tanks in Canton. We, as agents of the Company, would request you to kindly contradict the statement, which has no foundation in fact." The paragraph referred to was culled from the Canton Times.

The Tak Tai, a pawnbroker's shop at 218, Queen's Road West, was yesterday evening entered by a gang of seven robbers, five of whom were armed with revolvers. The people of the shop were closing down for the day when the desperadoes entered and held them up with their weapons. From the drawer of the counter and other places, they stole \$310 in money and jewellery, and then decamped safely with the haul.

Twenty-two Chinese and another person named Daniel Jesus were arrested yesterday in a police raid on No. 25 Ashton Road, Kowloon, and were to-day charged before Mr. G. N. Orme with gambling. Six of them, including the Portuguese, did not appear in Court and their bails of \$5 each were forfeited. One woman who, it was proved, was the sole tenant of the place, was fined \$10, or in default 21 days. The others were each fined \$5. The Police Treasury benefited from this case to the extent of an extra \$5.35, which was seized during the raid.

A Chinese passenger by one of the Yau-nai Ferry launches had his pocket picked by a thief who stole \$55 in notes. He was observed by another passenger, and when a movement was made to arrest him he attempted, without success, to throw the money into the sea. When charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, he said he was innocent and asked the Magistrate for a remand so that he could communicate with his relatives, who were abroad, as to the engaging of a solicitor to defend him. The Magistrate:—"Do you know any people in Hongkong?"—"I have got many friends here. I have been accused of theft, and it would be a disgrace to me were they to know. I prefer to communicate with my own people." The Magistrate:—"I am going to send you to prison for six months with hard labour. In the meantime you are entitled to communicate with your relative within eleven days."

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

(BY "ENHARMONIC.")

Opportunities for studying examples of musical talent in the young idea are always welcomed by music lovers, for of all the gifts in Art, that of music is the one that becomes manifest, in most cases, long before talent in other directions shows itself. Such an opportunity was afforded last week, when Professor Danenberg's pupils gave their annual pianoforte recital.

I have not the space at my disposal to deal with each performer individually, and to make distinctions would be invidious; rather, I prefer to confine myself to a criticism of the results of Professor Danenberg's teaching, judging from the whole.

It was quite evident that the Professor has made his main object the providing of a strong groundwork in technique, and execution was displayed, in some instances, bordering upon brilliant. The idea has much in its favour. If a young boy or girl has not a natural gift of touch, no amount of tuition can provide it, neither is there any sort of substitute for the real thing, that can be acquired. On the other hand, technique, with a very few exceptions, must be acquired at a very early age, the earlier the better.

Many tutors argue on those lines very strongly. They hold that if the gift is there it will come out sooner or later, but if it is later, and there has been in different early technical training, an unsurmountable barrier is placed between mediocrity and brilliance. I do not know whether Professor Danenberg holds with that theory. I rather suspect he does.

As regards touch, phrasing and tone colouring, there were ample signs of the possession of natural gifts by the pupils who performed, last Friday, but brilliant executions were rather marred owing to a lack of attempts at individual interpretation to a degree that the above argument hardly justifies. I would have preferred to have heard some of the more advanced pupils play without their music. It gives confidence and induces attempts at individual interpretation that should not be altogether sacrificed for execution.

One solo in particular, was most brilliantly played, from a technical point of view, and the composition was a most exacting one, particularly for the left hand, but the beautiful theme was so indifferently phrased and coloured that what was otherwise a remarkable performance was reduced to the level of "just ordinary." It was a great pity for the soloist undoubtedly possesses a very fine natural gift. Drum in technique and precise articulation, by all means, but do not disregard altogether the personal element.

Some years ago I heard a very young boy at his lesson in the Royal Academy. Mr. Pollard was his tutor there. The pupil was working up for a public performance. Of course, he had been correctly trained; but in this instance he was allowed to take the most amazing liberties. He was practising without music, of course, and everything was the other way about. Individual interpretation was the main point and the boy was allowed to go his own way. The final result was a very fine rendering of a well-known piece in all respects, but the boy was no more or no less gifted than many of the pupils I heard play, last Friday.

But on the whole the pupils acquitted themselves with great credit to their tutor and the parents have no reason to be dissatisfied, for it may be said promise of great things in the future was exhibited in every case, indeed it is astonishing that in a comparatively small place like Hongkong there should be such an abundance of gifted young musicians. I congratulate Professor Danenberg most heartily on what he was able to produce. He is a really good teacher of music as the examples proved beyond all doubt.

MOUNTAIN BATTERY'S RETURN.

INDIAN TROOPS ENTERTAINED.

During the great war the H. K. S. R. G. A. and Mountain Battery, by their distinguished conduct and gallantry on the battlefield, have won an enviable record and gathered to themselves a profusion of D. C. M.'s, M. C.'s and other honours. Their return to the Colony was therefore made an occasion for rejoicing on the part of the local Mohammedan Community, and the Indian staff of the General Post Office hastened to do honour to this distinguished band of heroes by entertaining the officers and N. C. O.'s at the Cafe Wiseman yesterday afternoon. This pleasant function was presided over by Khan Sahib Hasham Khan and the efforts which were exerted to entertain the guests must have left a deep impression on the latter, who found in the occasion a warm welcome home from the dangers and hardships of the battlefield. The pipers of the battalion were also present and the music they supplied contributed to the afternoon's enjoyment. The entire Indian Staff of the General Post Office was present also the Postmaster General (Mr. S.B.C. Ross). There were also present Mr. A. F. Arculli, Dr. H. Arculli, Mr. Sirdar Khan, Mr. H. M. Soleman, Inspector Nawab Khan, Mr. S. D. Mehal, Mr. Fateh Mohammad, Mr. O. Arculli, Mr. A. Karim, Mr. Miran Baksh, Mr. W. M. Mehal and several other gentlemen of the Mohammedan Community. The Officers present were: Captain Skilton (M.C.), Lieut. Perrott, Lieut. Evenden (M.C.), Lieut. Willcox, Lieut. B. L. Tyler, Lieut. C.W. Reynold, Lieut. Mann, Lieut. Creasy, Subedar Imam Din Khan (M.C.), Subedar Mehdi Shah, Subedar Maula Baksh, S. A. S. (St. George's Gold Medal), The Non-Commissioned Officers present were: Havildar Major Piran Ditta (D. C. M.), Havildar Nawab Khan (D.C.M.), Havildar Hani (M.M.), Naik Tikka Khan (M.M.), Havildar Sultan Mohammad (D. C. M.) and 31 other N. C. O's.

Addressing Captain Skilton and the other Officers, Khan Sahib Hasham Khan said that their purpose in asking their guests' presence there was to convey to them all, as well as to all the combatants of their battery, that they were proud of them, particularly of the men who obtained special decorations, in that they had done their duty to the Raj and the Empire to which all of them were so devoted. They were grateful to the Indian Officers and non-Commissioned Officers and men that by the skilful and successful performance of their duty they had conferred a lasting good name on them all and had proved to the world that Indians, whether Muslim or otherwise, were loyal to the core and deeply devoted to the King-Emperor. "We avail of your presence here to-day to make known the share you have taken in adding a lustre to our country and Hongkong, for which once more we ask your acceptance of our thanks and gratitude."

Subedar Imam Din Khan, M.C., said on behalf of the Indian Officers and N.C.O.s. he thanked the hosts for the honour which they had done them. The love and the brotherly affection which was shown them created a deeply-rooted feeling of gratitude in their hearts which would never be effaced. They felt the greatest pleasure in expressing that they had striven with every zeal and ardour to perform their duty to the King-Emperor and their Country and for the up-keeping of Indian loyalty; and they were proud, as their hosts also were, of the part they had taken in the great war.

Captain Skilton, M.C., speaking in Hindustani, expressed his thanks for the honour accorded him and his brother officers and said that they had only commanded the real credit being due to the Indian Officers, N.C.O.s and men, who, by their bravery, had achieved what had been achieved. In conclusion, he thanked their hosts very much for the party which they had given.

Mr. Arculli invited the guests to a dinner which he proposed to hold next Sunday in honour of the return of the battalion. The party then broke up, after a very enjoyable hour.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

ARMED ROBBERY.

The March Criminal Sessions were resumed, this morning, before Mr. Justice Melbourne. Luk Fong was charged with armed robbery at No. 85, Bonham Strand West, on January 13 last. The accused pleaded not guilty. The Crown Solicitor, Mr. G. H. Wakeman, prosecuted and the accused was defended by Mr. R. E. Bellis, instructed by Mr. G. R. Haywood. The jury men were Messrs. F. X. D. Remedios, E. F. Clayton, Wong Po Ki, C. J. Gaudin, G. H. May, W. Souza and A. R. Kinross. Opening the case for the prosecution the Crown Solicitor said the accused was charged with committing an assault on three men at No. 85 Bonham Strand West, on January 13 last, with intent to commit a robbery. There were three separate firms occupying the ground, first and second floors of the premises, and on the top floor the foks of the firm were awakened between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning and were held down by three men who got into the shop, all of whom were armed with revolvers. A struggle followed and a desk was knocked over, which aroused the manager of the firm underneath. One of the servants ran upstairs to see what was the matter and one of the robbers chased him down again, threatening him with a revolver. The servant called out and blew a police whistle. A constable near by heard the alarm and as he arrived at a back door of the premises he saw a man coming out. He attempted to arrest the man but after a struggle he got away and as he went, the constable heard something that sounded like metal drop on the ground. The man was chased and eventually arrested, and he proved to be the prisoner. A dagger was found near the back door, which it was submitted was dropped by the prisoner. When charged at the police station, the accused said he was passing by when a constable asked him what was the matter. He said probably there was some fighting taking place. On the premises, the police found gags and other implements usually used in armed robberies. The case is proceeding.

DEMOLISHED OFFICERS.

EMPLOYMENT SCHEME.

The British Ministry of Labour announces that an Appointments Department has been formed for the purpose of placing prospective employers in touch with demobilized British officers and men of similar educational qualifications. A very large number of applications for posts overseas has been received, and to deal with these the Appointments Department has opened two special Directorates at Gresham House, London, E.C.—Directorate No. 11 for openings in the outer British Empire, and Directorate No. 1111 for those in Foreign Countries.

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much for the party which they had given.

Mr. Arculli invited the guests to a dinner which he proposed to hold next Sunday in honour of the return of the battalion. The party then broke up, after a very enjoyable hour.

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SOME SINGAPORE MEETINGS.

Justice for women. That is the plea which Mrs. Dixon is placing before the public of Singapore in connection with the Purity Campaign.

For over two years the Singapore Social Service Committee has been regularly meeting and discussing local conditions in the hope of doing something to improve the conditions of life in Singapore, and stimulating a higher tone of public opinion in regard to social questions. The Report of the Royal Commission on Venereal Diseases and the wide spread movement throughout the world to remedy the evil naturally attracted the attention of the Committee and they have been carefully studying the question in the light of the experience of other places and of the circumstances of the town. They decided to inaugurate a "Purity Campaign" and invited Mrs. Dixon, a skilled lecturer on social questions to come down from India to help in the Campaign.

At 9 p.m. on March 11 a crowded meeting was held for men, at which the Rev. Mr. Cross presided, the subject being "The Scourge," the idea to bring home to the men of Singapore the grave national and world danger of venereal diseases and to bring Singapore into line, if possible with the rest of the world.

The Chairman said that he had been asked to take the chair on that occasion. They were met under the auspices of the Singapore Social Service Committee that had done work for two or three years at least, trying to gather information and to devise a policy whereby united they might, as a community, elevate their city life, and for the higher expression of their citizenship. He might say that the purpose of that campaign was in the first place one of protest. The reports of all competent authorities were agreed in the desire to draw their attention to the great danger that lurked in what they call the Scourge, and it had two definite aspects; it was physical and moral. As to venereal disease there was a far greater danger attacking them and that was venereal thoughts, which went deep down into a nation's life. It had been circulated that theirs was a limited appeal. They were conscious of that limitation, but they must make a beginning somewhere and that campaign was only the beginning. Surely it was for the English speaking people to begin at their own doors. He hoped one of the results would be to rouse other sections of the great community in which they lived to combat the evil common to all and it was their duty to fight it.

Mr. Makepeace, who was accorded a very hearty reception, said that it was his duty to lay before the meeting that night some very unpleasant facts, and by laying those facts, he hoped to impress on their minds that the scourge was one of the greatest evils that existed. It was true not for this city alone, not for London alone, but for the whole world. He then proceeded to give figures, and statistics at some length to show the enormous prevalence of different venereal diseases, and the sickness and the untold suffering which they entailed on the population in general and the urgent necessity for reducing the evil so caused by appropriate action.

Mrs. Dixon, who was very cordially received, said that she came before them to put the subject from rather a different point of view than that from which they generally heard. She came to put before them the subject from a woman's point of view. She could claim to have the support of many officials of the women's suffrage societies and other societies at home. She could claim to represent the opinion of no less

than 34 societies and she could claim to represent the views of the Royal Commission. When they formed that Commission they did her the honour to elect her one of their speakers. Commenting upon the evil the speaker said that it was only natural that the women's movement had risen in antagonism against it. Just exactly as men drove out slavery some years ago, they as women, were absolutely determined that the evil should cease and it should go the same way as slavery, the other evil had gone.

Mrs. Dixon then went on to deal with the trade and she would ask them to keep in their minds the motto or axiom familiar to all of them "necessity knows no law." If the demand were to cease so would the supply and the trade would cease to-morrow. As to the supply one of the chief causes she attributed it was to neglected homes, secondly to poverty and thirdly seduction and desertion, a common cause in every country in the world. She knew the reason for the trade flourishing out here. Women were sold like cattle. It was absolutely true. Woman were much weaker and more helpless than men and that was the reason the supply was so successful in the East. She knew hundreds of these women. She had visited 21 brothels and she had never met one single woman who was happy. She might pretend to be but she was not happy. Must they really put up with that evil? Was it a necessary evil or was it also perhaps a superstition. They should make all brothels illegal. If the strangers living here did not like the idea let them leave the place if they could not conform to the standard of righteous living in Singapore. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

ANOTHER MEETING.

A well-attended meeting of representative women of Singapore was held at the Victoria Theatre at 10.30 a.m. on March 11. The chair was taken by Mrs. J. M. Sime, who made a few introductory remarks, and then called on Dr. G. B. Serle to speak on the medical aspect of the Social Evil. Mrs. Sime then called upon Mrs. Dixon, who is an expert in these matters, and represents the views of many societies in England, to address the meeting.

Mrs. Dixon took for her subject the "Double Moral Standard," defining it as "the idea that women must, while men cannot be expected to control their physical impulses." Having shown the resultant evils and convinced the audience of the iniquity of the double moral standard, she proceeded to say

how it could be abolished by knowledge and education and by opposing local conditions. She concluded by pointing out with convincing power what was the real inward meaning of the brothel system in its degradation, exploitation, and slavery of womanhood.

At the close of the meeting the following resolution was put, and carried unanimously: "That this meeting, believing that the existence of brothels always involves the degradation and exploitation of women, calls upon the Government to abolish all known brothels within the area of its administration."

THE EX-KAISER.

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London, January 27.—William Hohenzollern, the former German Emperor, has grown very surly and rarely speaks a word to his men servants and guards, according to the *Mail's* correspondent at Amerongen. His latest recorded remark, it is said, was made a few days ago, when he said that his "time at Amerongen was nearly up." His wife, on the other hand, maintains a cheerful disposition and shows an interest in the welfare of the people living near the castle where she is living.

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PANAMA CANAL.

There is a considerable feeling of anxiety in London shipping circles in regard to the renewed demand of the Governor of the Panama Canal Zone for the supplying by shipping companies of complete detailed manifests. I understand that inasmuch as it is felt that no real benefit would accrue to the Canal authorities by compliance with this demand, immediate action is being taken to bring the highest authoritative influences to bear upon its withdrawal. Inquiry at Messrs. Turner Davidson's reveals the fact that they have received from their friends, Messrs. Payne and Wardlaw, Balboa, intimation that the Panama Canal Authorities are anxious to compile statistics of commodities carried through the Canal, and urge that in order to enable them to do this with accuracy, the manifests now demanded are essential. Under present arrangements, a manifest of cargo of all ships delivering or receiving cargoes at either Balboa or Cristobal is delivered to the Customs Inspector at those points. It is urged on behalf of shipowners that such manifests are sufficient for statistical purposes. No manifests are received from vessels transiting the Canal without breaking cargo, but a declaration made under the direction of the master of the ship is furnished. The Canal authorities claim that the information disclosed on the declaration is insufficient, and copies of the manifest must be furnished. They state that the manifests would be held strictly confidential, and that the statistics of commodities would be published in totals only without revealing the business of any carrier, consignee or consignee. It is further requested that these detailed manifests of all vessels passing through the canal shall be furnished as from January 1st, 1919. What possible object will be achieved by instituting a sort of inquisition into all classes of cargoes passing directly through the canal is not quite clear. It cannot be urged that it is for the purpose of discovering contraband or explosives. Interviews with leading shipowners show that they will undoubtedly protest against the proposal, which for reasons that are obvious have a direct effect upon international trade. It is suggested in responsible quarters that the scheme is a cleverly devised attempt on the part of the Huns to ascertain the character of various grades and the direction of the flow of international commerce, and having regard to the vast German interests in certain South American centres, the suggestion does not seem to be without at least some basis upon which the working of the proposed inquisition should be opposed. Through cargoes have no direct interest to the Canal authorities, but it is quite obvious that whilst accepting fully and freely the assurance that so far as the canal authorities are concerned the details of the manifests would be treated as confidential, British and Allied merchants, shippers, and shipowners alike are not prepared to submit without protest to giving information of the most vital importance to their interests. It is understood that already protests have been lodged by several of the leading shipping companies using the canal, and that the Board of Trade and the Foreign Office have the matter under immediate consideration. It will be remembered that some time ago a similar attempt to secure detailed manifests was made, but upon vigorous protests being made the matter was dropped, and a firm setting out the classes of cargoes was adopted, and has been in use for some time. In view of the subtlety of the Germans and their avowed intentions to recapture trade at any cost the opposition of shipowners and Allied trades is fully warranted and justified.

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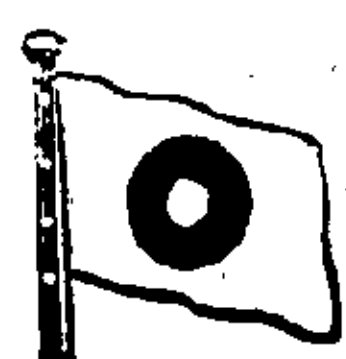
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 27th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
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Hongkong, 4th March, 1919.

THE CHINA-BORNEO
CO. LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixteenth Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. Georges Buildings, at 11.30 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th March, 1919, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1918, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 19th March to the 26th March, 1919, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 22nd to the 31st inst. both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. M. DYER

Chief Manager

Hongkong, 15th March, 1919.

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TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po Service)

Shanghai, March 19.

It is rumoured here that Sir John Jordan has left for Shanghai to see Tang Shao-ye to ascertain the real circumstances in the South, and that upon his return the Diplomatic Body will meet to consider another friendly representation to China.

Shanghai, March 19.

At the Southerners' meeting yesterday, the delegate, Li Shue-ying, reported the receipt of Yu Yau-yam's letter, dated 10th inst., reporting fighting near Kienhien and Kishan. Yu's telegram to Shanghai is still being held. The Southern delegates therefore interviewed Chu Kai-kim, demanding an explanation. Chu agreed to wire to Peking.

Luk Ching-chung, chief delegate in Paris, has cabled saying he has returned to Paris from Switzerland, and that the British Premier and the American President have also arrived. He urges China not to let world peace over-step internal peace.

The British, American, French and Italian Ministers propose to give further friendly advice to China and to ask the Japanese Minister to join. The latter, however, hesitates.

The Cabinet is in a dilemma because on one hand it is not strong enough to enforce the armistice, and on the other is subject to Chu Kai-kim's perpetual demand for explanations. This has led to a rumour that Chin Naung-fun's Cabinet will be shaken.

Since Japan's advice to temporarily stop publishing the Sino-Japanese pact, the Cabinet has decided to publish to-day the first Grant Canal Loan with an American Syndicate in 1917.

Shanghai merchants propose that the whole country stop paying taxes, until peace is concluded, in order to expedite the Conference.

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Hongkong, March 20, 1919.

HONGKONG DOG-CAT-POULTRY AND PIGEON SHOW 1919.

A show in connection with the above will be held (by kind permission of the Stewards, Hongkong Jockey Club) within their enclosure, Happy Valley, on Saturday, the 13th April, 1919.

Entry forms containing full particulars may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

G. W. GEGG.

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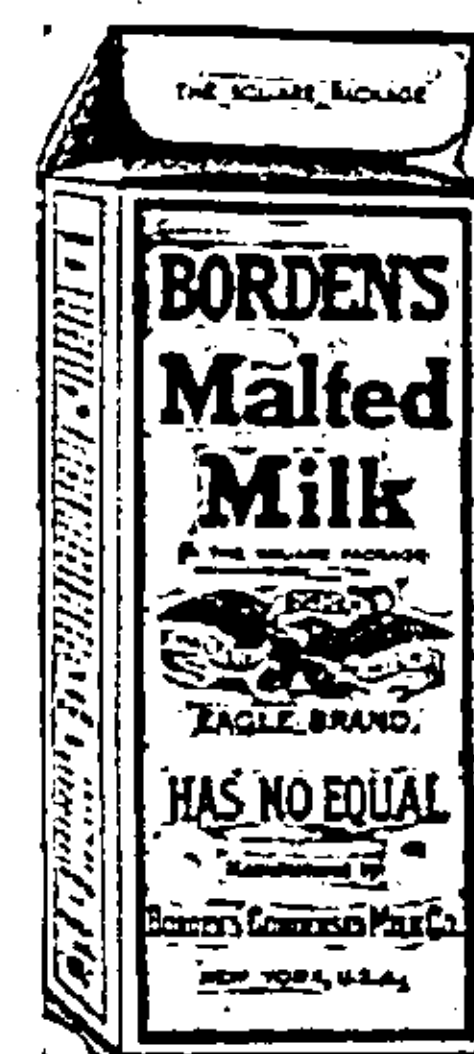
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SOME OF THE IMPORTANT WORK ALREADY EXECUTED.

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| 1910.—Barracks in Thudamot for the French Government, Indo-China. | 1913-14.—Baque de l'Indo-Chine, Singapore. |
| 1911.—Wharves at Palo-Batom, Singapore, for the Standard Oil Co. | 1914.—Chartered Bank of I. A. & C. Singapore. |
| 1912.—Central Market, Saigon, superficial area 330' x 330'. | 1914.—Coaling Wharf at Hongay with Crane Railway, 3 tons. |
| 1912.—Bridge with swing span at Soatung Cambodge, length, 178'. | 1915.—Wharf for French Government Mail steamers in 30 ft. water, Bangkok. |
| 1913.—Water tower on pillars 30 ft. high (25,000 gals.) Saigon Railway. | 1916.—Bridge of 740 ft. length in 30' water; span 90 ft. Comay, Indo-China. |
| 1914.—Bridge of 350 ft. in length in 36' water; span 90 ft. at Rachgia, Indo-China. | 1917.—Railway ferry boat of reinforced concrete at Johore. |

SOME OF THE IMPORTANT WORK IN HAND.

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| Steamer of 2,500 tons in R. C. at Saigon. | New Godown at Kowloon, Hongkong. |
| Banque Industrielle de Chine, Haiphong. | Grand Hotel, Peking. |
| | Several steamers 2,000 tons, Tientsin. |

MARINE CONSTRUCTION:
Lighters (river and sea) up to 1,000 tons. Hulks, Ferry Boats, in steel, wood and reinforced concrete. Sea going ships in reinforced concrete and wood. Steamers and Sailing vessels up to any tonnage.

IRON WORK:
Frame work, machine tools, boilers, and industrial installations.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE WORKS
Private and Public Buildings, Factories, Godowns, Tunnels, Foundations in bad ground, by compressed air, Walls, Drains, Sewers, Churches, Hotels and Hospitals.

M. M. Brossard, Mopin and Co., shall be pleased to examine, free of charge, all technical and industrial questions and are prepared to supply specifications and plans on every kind of metallic or reinforced concrete construction which may be required. Address as above or to their agents, Wm. C. JACK & Co., Ltd., 14 Des Vœux Road, Central.

Reinforced Concrete SPECIALISTS.

NOTICE.

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO. LTD.

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chester Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 22nd day of March, 1919, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1918, and declaring a Dividend. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 13th March, 1919, until SATURDAY, the 22nd March, 1919, both days inclusive.

By order of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1919.

EXCHANGE.

SELLING.	
T/T Demand	3/11 1/2
30 d/s	3/1 13/16
60 d/s	3/1 15/16
4 m/s	3/1 1/16
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	134 1/4
T/T Japan	146 1/2
T/T India	Nom.
Demand, India	Nom.
T/T San Francisco & New York	74 3/4
T/T Java	180 1/2
T/T Manila	Nom.
T/T Bombay	408 1/2
Demand, Paris	409
BUYING.	
4 m/s. L/C	3/2 3/4
4 m/s. D/P	3/2
6 m/s. L/C	3/3 1/4
30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	3/3 1/4
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	75 3/4
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. Francos	426
6 m/s. Francos	431
Demand, Germany	74 1/2
Demand, New York	74 1/2
T/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Bombay	Nom.
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Manila	151
Demand, Singapore	124 1/4
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	434
Sovereign	630 Nom.
Gold leaf per oz	44 40 Nom.
Bar Silver, per oz	47 3/4

SUBSIDIARY COINS

DISCOUNT PER 100:	
H'kong 30 cts sub.	3 1/2 dis.
10 "	4 1/2 dis.
5 "	5 1/2 dis.
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NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on Tuesday, the 25th March, 1919, at 4 o'clock precise in the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1918.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

(Incorporated in the United Kingdom.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the COLORED REGISTER of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 25th March 1919, to WEDNESDAY, 27th April 1919, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1919.

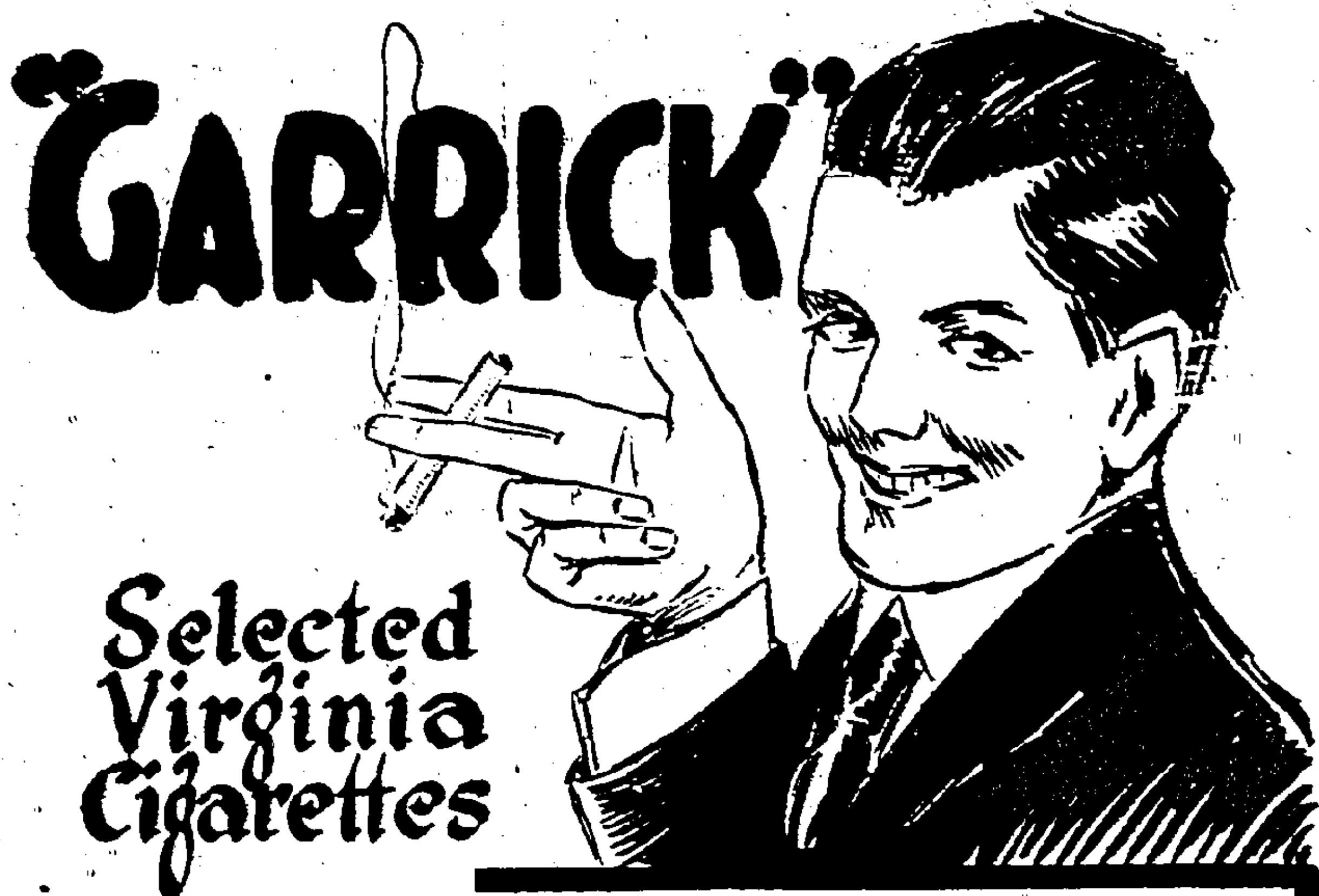
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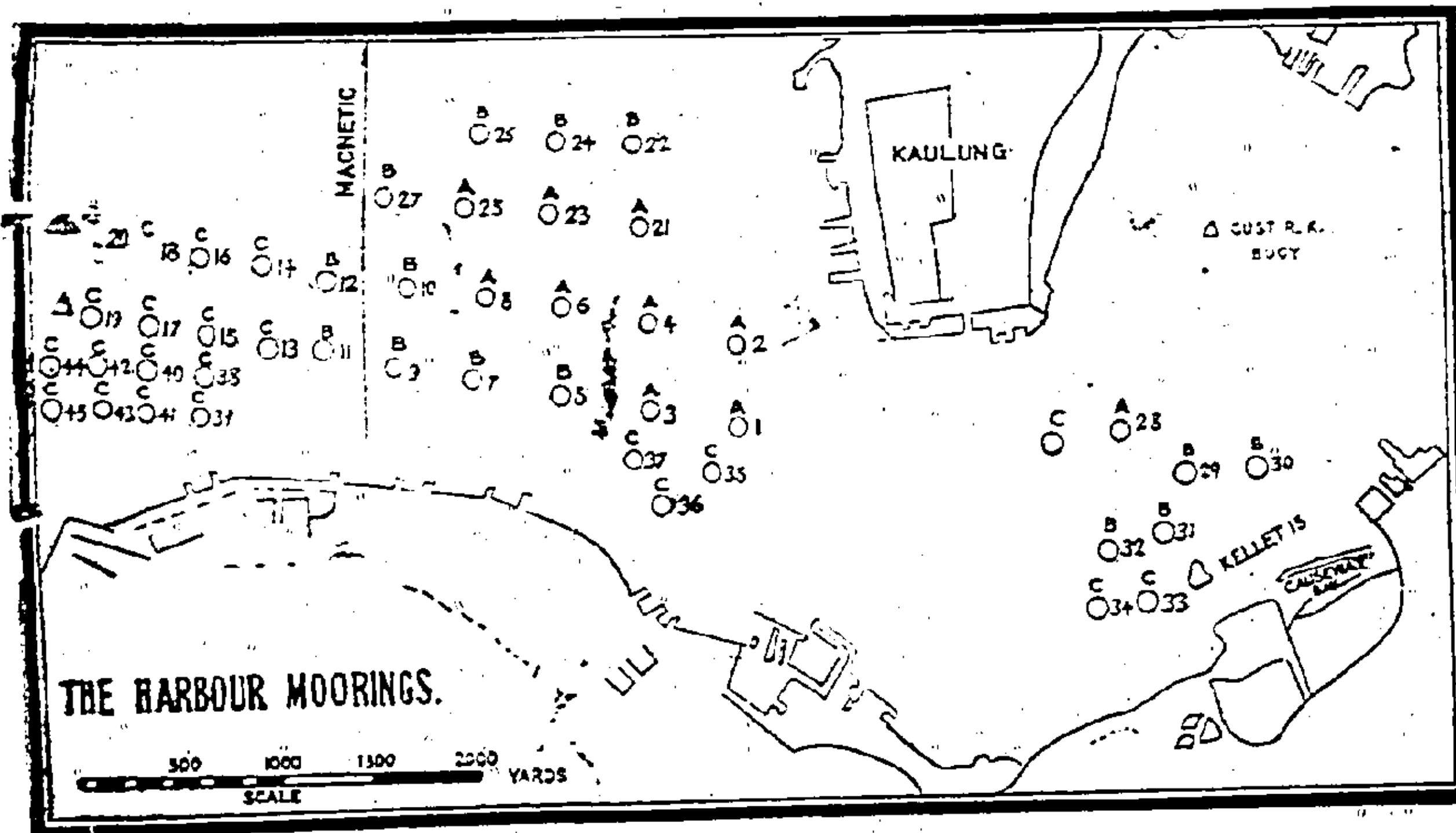
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Singapore, 1 E.E.—Mooring—
B 10.
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POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS.

Manila and Australia—Per TAIYUAN,
20th March.
Canada—Per EMPRESS OF ASIA, 22nd
March.

OUTWARD MAILS.

TO-MORROW.

Hoihow and Bangkok—Per DIVA, 21st
March, 12 a.m.
Japan via Miji, Honolulu and San
Francisco—Per ANYOMARU, 21st
March, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok and Calcutta—Per
YAMAGATA MARU, 21st
March, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, S.
Africa, India via Dharmabadi,
Egypt and Europe via Suez—
Per INABA MARU, 21st
March, Reg. 9:45 a.m. Letters
10:30 a.m.
Philippine Is.—Per LOONGSANG, 21st
March, 2 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Egypt and Europe via
Suez—Per BECTOR, 21st
March, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, 22nd March.

Philippine Is., Shanghai North China,
Japan via Nagasaki, Canada,
United States, Central and S.
America and Europe via Van-
couver—Per FUSHIMI
MARU, 22nd March, Reg.
9:15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi, and Haiphong—Per
KALYONG, 22nd March, 10 a.m.
Amoy, Shanghai and North China—Per
CHUNGKING, 22nd March,
11 a.m.
Straits and Bangkok—Per NAMBANO,
22nd March, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, N. China—Per YINGCHOW,
22nd March, 2 p.m.
Weather, Canton and Hoihow—Per
CHIPSHING, 22nd March, 2 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

March 20th, 12h. 30m.—No returns from
Japan and Vladivostok. Pressure has
decreased considerably at Waihaiwei,
and increased slightly to moderately at
the majority of other reporting stations;
the anticyclone has moved eastwards.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.50 inch.
Total since January 1st 2.24 inches
against an average of 4.83 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
Hongkong to Co; Reek	E. winds, moderate; fair.
Formosa Channel	N. winds, fresh.
South coast of China (between H.K. and Luzon)	The same as H.K. and Luzon.
South coast of China (between H.K. and Japan)	The same as H.K. and Japan.
C.W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant.	
Hongkong Observatory, Mar. 20, 1919.	

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On date	On date
Barometer	30.05	30.06	30.07
Temperature	73	68	71
Humidity	88	73	64
Wind Direction	W.N.W.	E.	E.
Force	3	5	6
Weather	—	0.50	0.50
Rain	—	0.50	0.50
Maximum temperature on the day	73	68	71
Minimum temperature on the day	64	64	64
H.K. Observatory, Mar. 20, 1919.			
T. F. OLAKSON, Director.			

NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fiftieth Ordinary Meet-
ing of Shareholders will be
held at the Office of the under-
signed at noon on Saturday the
29th instant.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from the
15th to the 29th instant, both
days inclusive.

At this Meeting a Resolution
will be proposed that, owing to
the Consulting Committee being
now made up to the maximum
number of eight, the remunera-
tion to the Committee be in-
creased from \$7,000 to \$8,000.

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Hongkong, 12th March, 1919.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM EUROPE & STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"SHIDZUOKA MARU"

having arrived from the above
ports, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at
their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon,
where each consignment will be
sorted out mark by mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon
as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried
on unless instructions are given
to the contrary before NOON,
TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 26th
March, 1919, will be subject
to rent.
Damaged packages must be left
in the Godowns for examination
by the Consignees and the C.O.s
representatives at an appointed
hour on Tuesday & Friday. All
claims must be presented within
ten days of the steamer's arrival
here, after which date they can-
not be recognized. No claims
will be admitted after the goods
have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Agents

Hongkong, 19th March, 1919.

MOVEMENTS OF
STEAMERS.

The China Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of
a telegram from its San Francisco Office
advising that the s.s. NANKING sailed
from that port on February 21st, and
may be expected to arrive in Hongkong
on March 21st, 1919.

The Admiral Line's s.s. SENATOR
sailed from Seattle's February 10th, calling
at Yokohama and is due to arrive at
Hongkong about March 21st.

The Pacific Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt
of a telegram from its San Francisco
Office that the s.s. VENEZUELA left
that Port on the 15th March for Manila,
and is expected at this Port on or about
March 28th 1919.

The s.s. CELTIC PRINCE is due to
arrive here from New York towards the
end of April.

The s.s. STAVIL PRINCE is due to
arrive here from New York on the 5th
April.

The China Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of
a telegram from its San Francisco Office
advising that the s.s. CHINA sailed from
that port for the Orient on March 15th,
in accordance with schedule.

The American & Manchuria Line
s.s. "VITAEOR" left New York for
Hongkong, Manila and Singapore on the
4th March, and may be expected to arrive
at this port on the 10th May.

The R.M.S. EMPRESS OF ASIA
arrived at Manila on the 19th inst. and
is due at Hongkong on the 22nd instant.

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